AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Department of Agriculture

(\$ in thousands)	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Estimate	FY 2007 Request
P.L. 480 Title II	1,413,041	1,138,500	1,218,500
McGovern-Dole International Food for Education	86,800	99,000	99,000
Total, Department of Agriculture	1,499,841	1,237,500	1,317,500

P.L. 480 Title II

The FY 2007 request for Title II Food Aid is \$1.219 billion. Title II Food Aid of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (Public Law 480) is requested by the Department of Agriculture and administered by USAID.

Title II provides U.S. food assistance in response to emergencies and disasters around the world via the World Food Program and private voluntary organizations. Title II resources have been critical to saving lives by preventing and mitigating famines and providing urgent relief to victims of natural disasters and complex emergencies where natural disasters are compounded by ongoing civil strife.

Through this program, the United States also provides development-oriented resources to private voluntary organizations and the world Food Program to help improve the food security of needy people through the direct distribution of agricultural commodities or the use of local currencies generated by the sale of these commodities in the recipient country.

McGovern-Dole International Food for Education

The FY 2007 request for the McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program Grants is \$99 million. The Department of Agriculture (USDA) administers this program. The FY 2005 program provided \$87 million for the donation of U.S. agricultural commodities and associated technical and financial assistance to carry out preschool and school feeding programs in 17 foreign countries in order to improve food security, reduce the incidence of hunger and malnutrition, and improve literacy and primary education. The program also supports maternal, infant, and child nutrition programs for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants and children.

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